



Issue OTHER

Position SUPPORT

Name MICHAEL FREI City, State WAGNER SD Create Date 11/09/2022 8:56:21 AM

Comment Attachment:

I recently had a son turn 12 and get his safety card. I was just wondering if there ever has been consideration of moving dove season to August 15th thru October 1st. Dove hunting is a great way to get the youth involved. It is a very safe hunt as the youth are stationary. Just a thought. Thanks

Mike

Position OTHER

Name WILLIE MARTIN City, State HERMOSA SD Create Date 11/04/2022 9:48:28 AM

Comment Attachment:

Please reconsider the matter of optics on muzzle loaders. With the improved technology the use of optics that magnify would be beneficial for those who have vision problems from old age.

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Name JOEL ARENDS City, State SIOUX FALLS SD Create Date 12/01/2022 3:07:04 PM

Comment Attachment: Letter_to_GFP_regarding_Spring_Creek_334953ce2.pdf

See attachment.

Position OPPOSE

Name PAULA VON WELLER City, State DEADWOOD SD Create Date 11/01/2022 11:02:33 PM

Comment Attachment:

I STRONGLY OPPOSE the petition to expand the killing of mountain lions on private land in the Black Hills. This petition places increased hunting pressure on the Black Hills mountain lion population which is already under pressure from rapid development, loss of habitat, increased traffic, and more. As a resident of the Black Hills, "living with lions" is one of the most special things about living here. I firmly believe that educating the public on coexistence is the answer, not reducing the lion population. We can peacefully coexist with lions if people are educated about recreating in lion country, what to do if they encounter a lion, and how to safeguard pets and livestock - all things that have proven to be effective in other states where lions are present. It's time that the outdated 'eradicate all carnivores' mentality is put to rest and a modern coexistence mindset is put into place.

Who is the source of the petition and what is the justification or science that supports the expansion of lion mountain hunting?

Sincerely,
Paula von Weller

Position OTHER

Name KIM HUHNERKOCH City, State LEAD SD Create Date 11/02/2022 7:25:02 AM

Comment Attachment:

I am opposed to the "all year round" mtn lion seasoni just found out that game, fish, and parks is trying to do this..... Please for numerous reason don't do year round hunting. thank you for reading .



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Position OPPOSE

Name THOMAS BILLS City, State BUFFALO WY Create Date 11/02/2022 9:16:02 AM

Comment Attachment:

I oppose expanding mountain lion hunting in the Black Hills to a year-round season.

A limited season is one thing, but year-round is not necessary. The cats need some time when they are not being "hounded".

Name SHARI KOSEL City, State LEAD SD Create Date 11/02/2022 10:17:50 AM

Comment Attachment:

I oppose the petition to allow hunting of mountain lions year-round in the Black Hills and allowing it on private land.

I've lived in the middle of the Black Hills forest for over 20 years and have never seen a mountain lion on our land. I would never allow a stranger to enter my land and have clear "no trespassing" signs posted. This is an invasion of privacy.

Please oppose this petition because it places increased hunting pressure on the Black Hills mountain lion population, without scientific justification. Mountain lions do not know borders, and the approval of the petition as written would remove harvest caps and protections for mountain lions on the Black Hills Unit private land.

Name GERI HILL City, State DEADWOOD SD Create Date 11/02/2022 8:41:10 PM

Comment Attachment:

I am commenting on the proposal to extend the mountain lion season in the Black Hills. I oppose this strongly. I've been hunting lions for many years now and don't see the need for the season to be all year long. In my opinion, This would just invite poaching with dogs .

Name JANE VERBA City, State DEADWOOD SD Create Date 11/02/2022 9:28:57 PM

Comment Attachment:

I am against hunting of Mountain Lions all year round in SD specifically the Black Hills. The population is not large enough to support such hunting. Also with all the housing developments starting up and trees cutting down the habitat is being lost. Do not allow this to happen!!

Name DIANNE VERBA City, State DEADWOOD SD Create Date 11/02/2022 9:37:19 PM

Comment Attachment:

Regarding the Mountain Lion hunting season. I am against this all-year season that GF&P is considering. The short season is enough to keep the population in check, but to extend it for money for the state, or people can brag about shooting one, is pathetic. You are supposed to be protecting animals, not hunting them down to minimal numbers or eliminating them. do NOT pass this hunting extention!



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Position OPPOSE

Name GWENDOLYN OBERHOLTZER City, State SPEARFISH SD Create Date 11/02/2022 11:24:08 PM

Comment Attachment:

I oppose the petition the South Dakota Game, Fish, and Parks Commission received requesting that mountain lion hunting be allowed year-round, anywhere in the Black Hills.

I oppose this petition because it places increased hunting pressure on the Black Hills mountain lion population, without scientific justification. Mountain lions do not know borders, and the approval of the petition as written would remove harvest caps and protections for mountain lions on the Black Hills Unit private land. The public is concerned about mountain lion protection in the Black Hills and I believe the appropriate response is education and resources for coexistence, not population reduction.

Please oppose the petition.

Regards,

Gwendolyn Oberholtzer

Name DANIELLE BUTLER City, State BELLE FOURCHE SD Create Date 11/03/2022 9:10:10 AM

Comment Attachment:

I am opposing the mountain lion hunting season to be year round. These beautiful animals are rarely seen and are not a nuisance. Please allow them to live in their natural habitat.

Name SUE HAYES City, State DEADWOOD SD Create Date 11/03/2022 11:23:18 AM

Comment Attachment:

I strongly oppose year round mountain lion hunting in the Black Hills. The public lands are meant to be enjoyed by various activities without hunters being in the woods year round and there is no indication that we have an overpopulation problem with mountain lions. I enjoy hiking alone in the Hills and I would be more concerned with encountering hunters than I ever have encountering a lion. PLEASE VOTE NO. We need to cohabitate with the wildlife. Not destroy them.

Name NEIL VON ESCHEN City, State WAGNER, SD SD Create Date 11/04/2022 1:44:05 PM

Comment Attachment:

If you rent one of these cabins after a pet owner has, and it is not professionally cleaned, and you or your family member is allergic to cats or dogs you will be miserable. If it is not professionally cleaned who is responsible for any med bills that this may cause. I own a few houses that I rent out and my understanding is that I could be held liable. So a no pet policy and pets bring other unwanted critters.

Name TIFFANY CARLSON City, State SPEARFISH SD Create Date 11/07/2022 11:15:26 PM

Comment Attachment:

Please do not even consider a year round mountain lion hunt. Not only will cubs suffer and die without their parent, the population will decrease in totality. A year round hunt would also be beyond disruptive to other animals and their offspring. A year round hunt also poses a risk to humans utilizing the forest for recreation. No good reason exists, give all animals a break to raise their babies in peace. PS I do not oppose hunting only unethical hunting practices. Thanks

Issue PET ALLOWANCE



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Position **SUPPORT**

Name MIKE BARNEY City, State WARREN OH Create Date 11/04/2022 6:13:58 AM

Comment Attachment:

We stayed every fall for twenty some years at Roy Lake with our Labrador in the facility with us. When the State bought the Resort and banned dogs in the room, that was the last time we made reservations. I respect the State to look after their facilities and we moved on. We would love to come back if our pup were allowed to stay with us. However, I seen many times out of control dogs causing damage and fully understand why you don't want those dogs in your rooms. You are in a tough spot with this. Good luck.

Name CRAIG PUGSLEY City, State RAPID CITY SD Create Date 11/04/2022 8:06:14 AM

Comment Attachment:

I support this proposal especially in the Fall / winter when temperature can be critically cold. But many motels currently allow pets year round and this proposal would be keeping up with the private sector. I vote pass it.

Name TIMOTHY BORAH City, State COVINGTON KY Create Date 11/04/2022 9:39:02 AM

Comment Attachment:

Dear Sirs, I continue to enjoy opportunities to come and hunt this beautiful state. In the future I would love to be able to bring my wife and our four legged little dog Lucy who is always at our side.

Name BRANDON HUETHER City, State SIOUX FALLS SD Create Date 11/04/2022 9:58:52 AM

Comment Attachment:

Name EMILY DRULEY City, State SIOUX FALLS SD Create Date 11/04/2022 10:20:07 AM

Comment Attachment:

Please allow pets.

Name DOROTHY DRULEY City, State SIOUX FALLS SD Create Date 11/04/2022 10:34:04 AM

Comment Attachment:

Pets are now part of most families and should be allowed to join the family camping.

Name JOHN PTAK City, State CENTRAL CITY SD Create Date 11/04/2022 2:07:07 PM

Comment Attachment:

Most people have pets more often than kids when they are camping. Good choice.

Name GARY SMITHERS City, State HOWARD SD Create Date 11/04/2022 2:08:42 PM

Comment Attachment:

I think its a great idea, but with the increase in cost to rent a cabin I don't think it is a good idea to add the pet charge.



Issue **PET ALLOWANCE**

Position **SUPPORT**

Name **JEFF** **NODSLE** City, State **CORONA** **SD** Create Date *11/04/2022 3:22:43 PM*

Comment Attachment:

Please change the rule to allow pets in state park camp cabins and lodges. In the past, pets have always been brought into these facilities if it is too hot or too cold anyway. Thank you for considering this rule change.

Name **NEIL** **YAGER** City, State **HOT SPRINGS** **SD** Create Date *11/05/2022 5:31:44 PM*

Comment Attachment:

Absolutely a necessary change. Restricting pets has absolutely resulted in us spending money other places than at SDGFP facilities to accommodate our outdoor activities. It will appropriately result in increased revenues for SD as pet owners will rent more spaces at increased rates as pet owners will happily pay more to stay there. Hotels already are raking in more money for this very convenience.

Name **LUKE** **GARRY** City, State **SIOUX FALLS** **SD** Create Date *11/05/2022 8:15:49 PM*

Comment Attachment:

People want to take their pets on their adventures!!

Name **BROOKS** **GOEDEN** City, State **YANKTON** **SD** Create Date *11/06/2022 8:41:37 AM*

Comment Attachment:

A rule change is a good idea to support people with pets and grow revenue.

Name **GARY** **HAAG** City, State **HOT SPRINGS** **SD** Create Date *11/06/2022 9:44:33 AM*

Comment Attachment:

My wife and I enjoy camping at South Dakota State Parks, and we always bring our pets. I see no reason to keep people who have pets and do not have a camper from enjoying our parks. If pets were allowed in cabins, we would probably stay in them at times. I know Nebraska allows pets in their cabins. We fully support allowing pets in park cabins!

Name **STEVEN** **STAUFACKER** City, State **RAPID CITY** **SD** Create Date *11/11/2022 11:06:28 AM*

Comment Attachment:

I would support allowing pets in camping cabins & state owned resorts. I the facility was left a mess or there is destruction of property then they should have to pay for it,per having a credit card on file like the hotels do it.

Position **OPPOSE**

Name **TANIA** **KOSTAL** City, State **TYNDALL** **SD** Create Date *11/03/2022 9:32:39 AM*

Comment Attachment:

I oppose pets being allowed in cabins and lodges. There are many people who have allergies to animals. There is no way to get rid of all the pet dander. If this passes our cabins etc will deteriorate more quickly due to pet urine and feces in addition to damage from paws and chewing. It will also take much longer to clean these areas and the parks are already strapped for help. People without pets or who choose to leave them at home deserve clean well taken care of accommodations. Perhaps a solution would be to make a small set number of cabins pet friendly, and if people want their pets indoors they have to stay in the designated lodging and pay a larger fee to cover the additional expenses that will most certainly occur. Thank you for your consideration.



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Position **OPPOSE**

Name T WENGLER City, State WATERTOWN SD Create Date 11/03/2022 10:49:43 AM

Comment Attachment:

30 % of Americans have pet allergies Why exclude 30% of South Dakotans from being able to continue enjoying the cabins? Individuals with pet allergies are already limited in airline travel, and hotel stays? If you know someone with severe pet allergies ask them about the difficulties in traveling. Peanut allergies are taken serious and get attention but pet allergies are often ignored and dismissed by main stream media. Let's not follow the main stream and keep the policy as is

Name KELLY BUCK City, State SIOUX FALLS SD Create Date 11/03/2022 11:16:00 AM

Comment Attachment:

We have noticed that there are plans to allow pets into public areas including cabins. We do not have pets. ALLERGIES! We actually camp quite a bit throughout the different states. When we do camp, we use a park cabin. I guess we wanted to express concerns.

Already some cabins are not cleaned when we arrive.....depending on the state park. We believe cleaning would be a way bigger problem. Urine, fecies, hair everywhere...some pets can't hold their own or owners leave pets unattended. ALOT! When we camp, we see it daily.

Please reconsider. And even though adding a \$10.00 fee, it would cost much more to clean up poop and pee and hair on the floors and beds.

Please reconsider!

Thanks for listening.
Kelly Buck
226 No. Lake Ave.
Sioux Falls, SD. 57104

Name JAN HOCHHALTER City, State RAPID CITY SD Create Date 11/04/2022 6:41:02 AM

Comment Attachment:

Although I love animals, allowing them in the cabins will degrade the property and I would be hesitant to pay to stay in a cabin. Pets more than likely will have accidents and unfortunately owners do not clean up or pick up after their pets as they are expected. I see it all the time on public lawns and even inside public places that allow pets. I have rented apts after a pet owner resided there before me and saw the destruction they can leave behind. The smell was never really eradicated unless carpets, walls and floors were replaced. \$10 is very minimal compared to the amt it would cost to maintain the property.

Name JEREMY IVERSON City, State GROTON SD Create Date 11/04/2022 8:22:34 AM

Comment Attachment:

I don't like the idea of pets in cabins. I don't want pet hair on everything during my stay. Also the smell of wet animals seems to stick around. There is no doubt these pets will be on the beds as well. I'm opposed.



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Position **OPPOSE**

Name SCOTT OLSON City, State MISSION HILL SD Create Date 11/04/2022 8:39:25 AM

Comment Attachment:

Keep pets out of lodging by the state. The last thing I want is someone else's dog smell and hair where I'm hanging out. I like dogs, I own one, she is in the house, but I wouldn't think of bringing her in a public area. She is just fine OUTSIDE in a kennel or on a line or in the cab of my pickup. The problem is all these pet owners with no common sense are going to bring their pets in no matter what rule you have, so charge them dearly for doing it.

Name MARC SCHMITZ City, State PIERRE SD Create Date 11/04/2022 2:13:32 PM

Comment Attachment:

Both the risk of bites and the messes left by the pets make this an unfavorable situation.

Name MARSHA SCHAEFER City, State CROOKS SD Create Date 11/04/2022 2:43:32 PM

Comment Attachment:

I understand that people take their pets everywhere now a days.
My concern is how the cabin is cleaned afterwards. I rented a cabin this summer and had a good experience. My grandson stayed with me and he has asthma. Also, some people are allergic to cats and dogs. How would we be assured of no dog hair, etc.?
I know this is difficult to make everyone happy, but I thought I would share my concerns. \$10 would not cover much extra cleaning.

Name JANE BERRY City, State STURGIS SD Create Date 11/04/2022 5:03:54 PM

Comment Attachment:

In this day and age, people are more concerned about their pets than their human family. I had a dog, and I made sure my kids had a dog. I always had asthma during my dog ownership but put up with it for the kids. I am allergic to dogs, cats, horses. I have been to the emergency room for oxygen from having an asthma attack from my dog. I do not have other health issues. I am a healthy 110 pound runner. That said, the popular widespread love target is now peoples pets. No matter that some people get asthma from animals, and not just from their hair. Also and more intensely from the saliva. I get asthma and my eyes swell shut sitting in my hairdresser's chair from touching the handles on her chair if pet owners, who have petted an animal then sits there. I am not kidding. SO---to my point---these companies, airlines, and in this case, the game and fish---who allow or are considering allowing---pets inside places to rent where such a person as myself, may sleep or stay are sorely misinformed and narrow minded. I seriously do not think you or any of the above entities even considered this possibility. NO. Do not allow pets of any kind. That is ludicrous and unhealthy for those compromised.

Name CHAD VANSICKLE City, State BROOKINGS SD Create Date 11/04/2022 7:15:36 PM

Comment Attachment:

I have no desire to stay in facilities that allow animals. Male pets especially mark things, eventually these facilities will smell like pet urine even if they are cleaned thoroughly! I have stayed in State Park cabins and can tell you that they don't usually get cleaned very thoroughly already!



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Position **OPPOSE**

Name BRENTON SCOTT City, State LITTLETON CO Create Date 11/04/2022 9:23:43 PM

Comment Attachment:

Given that these pets leave behind excessive amounts of dander and shed fur, the miniscule fee is absurd. The room utilized by a pet would require a deep clean, at minimum, to protect follow-on guest from what these pets would (and always do) leave behind. What if a following guest is allergic to such? The liability incurred becomes enormous for the Department and the State of South Dakota. This proposal is absurd and should have never even been brought forth. Whoever is behind this endeavor is EXTREMELY short sighted.

Name LARRY TILDEN City, State CANOVA SD Create Date 11/04/2022 10:02:07 PM

Comment Attachment:

I do not wish to share the odors, hair and aftermath of a dog or cat in cabins.

Name KRISTI ANDERSON City, State HARTFORD SD Create Date 11/04/2022 11:01:00 PM

Comment Attachment:

Our family stays at the state park cabins multiple times a year all throughout the state. We'd rather stay at a state park than hotel when traveling. I am greatly opposed to allowing pets in cabins because our daughter is allergic to all pet hair and dander. No matter how well it is cleaned, it is always in the ventilation system, therefore, she have a severe reaction. We always counted on the cabins being free of that. Please do not allow pets inside the facilities.

Name MATT ANDERSON City, State HARTFORD SD Create Date 11/04/2022 11:07:22 PM

Comment Attachment:

I have a child that is allergic to dogs and cats. Please do not allow this so we can continue to use the cabins.

Name KENNETH LABRIE City, State ARLINGTON SD Create Date 11/05/2022 7:31:50 AM

Comment Attachment:

Many people have allergies to certain animals or their dander. I don't have these allergies but find it repulsive to be able to smell pets that people may not properly take care of - bathing, etc. Not everyone takes care of their belongings in the same manner & that includes their pets.

Name REID HOLIDAY City, State HAZEL SD Create Date 11/05/2022 3:52:21 PM

Comment Attachment:

I don't like the idea of pets allowed in cabins because of persons who might allergies staying afterward or just the smell of dogs in general.

Name BRUCE LANGHOFF City, State SIOUX FALLS SD Create Date 11/06/2022 3:26:43 AM

Comment Attachment:

I have had pets in my tent and there is endless hair even from a small lap dog or cat. If the next renter has an allergy there is no way to clean the cabin completely. Period. If the dog is a golden retriever there is constant hair everywhere even after cleaning. No way do I want to rent where pets have been.



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Position **OPPOSE**

Name **DAVID SCHAEFER** City, State **RAPID CITY SD** Create Date **11/06/2022 3:22:39 PM**

Comment Attachment:

We very much appreciate your service to the SD Game, Fish, and Parks – Thank You! We often rent cabins that are part of the park system, stay in the lodges, and spend time at our wonderful SD parks. While I can appreciate the desire for some to include their dogs and cats within these facilities, the reality is that dog hair, cat dander, and additional consequences of ongoing pets within these properties is substantial. These consequences are not offset by a small fee, nor do they accommodate for the major impacts on others. Possibly small “out buildings” adjacent to our great resorts and cabins could accommodate dogs and cats in kennels during their owner’s stay. This would seem to be a good compromise without impacting other guests, or increase damage to facilities. Thanks for allowing input to this process. It is appreciated.

Name **DENNIS MCGUIRE** City, State **SIOUX FALLS SD** Create Date **11/06/2022 10:17:28 PM**

Comment Attachment:

Our allergies will keep us away from renting state properties. Sad to see this would happen.

Name **CARLA CAMPBELL** City, State **SIOUX FALLS SD** Create Date **11/07/2022 7:10:00 AM**

Comment Attachment:

Good afternoon - I just read an article that was dated earlier this week. I have to give my opinion on this... We have camped in the state parks in South Dakota for 20+ years. We use the state parks every other weekend during May through October. We have an RV. But we have extended family who generally use a cabin almost every time we are there.

The thought that there now would be pets inside of these cabins with the allergies and things of children and adults, does not make sense to me.

It does seem that the cabins are not as clean in some of the parks as they used to be. And I can’t imagine that this is going to add anything but issues for the cabins and the state park workers who are already in short supply.

I am not a pet owner. However, we certainly deal with everybody’s pets , unleashed pets and pet waste and barking almost every time we go.

But the thought that they are now going to be in the cabins, doesn’t make sense. I have multiple grandchildren and my daughter who have allergies to dogs and cats. I know they are not the only allergy sufferers.

Thanks,
Carla and Tim Campbell
Carla Campbell
(605) 759-4487

Name **STEVE KLINGBILE** City, State **AURORA SD** Create Date **11/07/2022 3:53:45 PM**

Comment Attachment:

If this passes, I would not consider staying. Not all pets are clean and some mark things and those items get remarked. No matter how much you clean it will smell over time. Some people and children are allergic to pet dander. I guess they won’t be staying either. I can imagine that urine smell on a 90 degree day. I have my own camper and did much business with the state parks in the past but voicing my opinion for those whom do not get this email.



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Position **OPPOSE**

Name BERNIE KOSTAL City, State TYNDALL SD Create Date 11/10/2022 5:53:40 PM

Comment Attachment:

We are short staff around the state it will take more time to deep clean and some of the urine will never be gotten out . There are a lot of allergies for people to deal with this is one I hope they don't have to fight